

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 1076

Introduced by Assembly Member Maldonado

February 20, 2003

An act to add Section 12976.5 to the Food and Agricultural Code, relating to pesticides.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 1076, as introduced, Maldonado. Regulations: low volume pesticide applications.

Under existing law, the use of pesticides is subject to regulation by statute and by regulations adopted by the Director of Pesticide Regulation. Existing law allows the director to adopt regulations that are reasonably necessary to carry out statutory provisions regarding pesticide use.

This bill would allow the director to adopt regulations regarding low volume pesticide applications, as defined, pursuant to an advisory opinion issued by the Environmental Protection Agency.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes. State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

- 1 SECTION 1. Section 12976.5 is added to the Food and
- 2 Agricultural Code, to read:
- 3 12976.5. (a) The director shall adopt regulations regarding
- 4 low volume pesticide applications pursuant to the advisory
- 5 opinion issued by the Environmental Protection Agency, Federal
- 6 Register/V. 46, No. 41/Tuesday, March 3, 1981/Notices.

1 (b) For the purposes of this section, “low volume pesticide
2 applications” means applications of pesticides in which the
3 diluted pesticide formulation is applied at a rate less than that
4 specified on the pesticide label but greater than one-half gallon per
5 acre.

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